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## The Old West Lives

To all of us arm-chair cowboys who get our trail-herd kicks from the one-eyed box, it was good news that came out of Portola last week. Roy Carmichael herded 700 head of cattle onto the summer range of the Smith ranch after a 130-mile, 10-day drive from Los Molinas, in Tehama county.

Although Gil Favor and Rowdy Yates weren't along to herd the critters through the passes while Frankie Laine sang the "Rawhide" theme, and Matt Dillon wasn't there to handle the bad guys, and the chuck wagon was really a truck, there were real, live drovers, and real live bulls and steers and cows—a bit of the real, live Old West.

It's kinda nice to know the dogies still git, so thanks, Roy Carmichael, for keeping nostalgia alive.

## Others Say

### Reach for the Stick

In these days of increasing emphasis on government dependence, it is refreshing to hear a dissenting voice.

One such is that of George Champion, Chairman, New York Chase Manhattan Bank, who questions proliferating "guidelines" proposed by the government.

He points particularly to the ticklish areas of government, business and labor relationships.

Proposed guidelines cover very wide and important fields of activity, including labor management negotiations, and the trend of wages and prices.

Champion calls government by guideline "a giant step in the direction of Federal domination of the national economy," while pointing out "there seem to be guidelines for almost everything except the size of the Federal government."

The guidelines, theoretically, are voluntary without the force of law. But there are grave doubts if that is actually the case in practice.

Of this, Champion says, "always in the background is the subtle threat that failure to comply with the guidelines ultimately will bring strong coercive measures."

In other words, if government fails to get its way by use of the carrot, it may reach for the stick.—Public Affairs Forum

Public welfare should be a vehicle for raising the standards of the recipient, not a reward for indolence and depravity, says Judge Juanita Kidd Stout of Philadelphia . . . I have the deepest sympathy for the good mother struggling to bring up her children on a welfare grant . . . But I deplore a system that regards the handing out of checks as its prime function, that subsidizes the lazy and immoral home with the taxpayers' dollar.—Lake City (S.C.) Times-Herald

What this country needs before it drops more billions of tax dollars into welfare and antipoverty programs is for someone to come up with a few clear, concise answers and/or illustrations on just what these astronomical billions are buying. Something like 41 separate anti poverty programs which will cost the taxpayers 15 billions in 1965 are in the hands of six separate federal agencies.—Rockville (Md.) Monitor.

The Federal Aviation Agency has taken pains to let it be known that jumping from an airplane without a parachute is a breach of regulations. This is a step in the public interest, all right. If there's anything that will keep people from indulging in this sport, it is knowing that it violates FAA rules.—El Dorado (Kans.) Times.

There is no law in the United States against communism says the President and it is still a Free Country. We fail to understand why we have no law against communism in this country and still send our troops into foreign nations to give their lives fighting something that is allowed at home.—Indianola (Miss.) Enterprise-Tocsin.

## A Tragedy of Errors by Jerry Marcus



The Travelers Safety Service "Bdbs, etc boy"

## Your Output May Be O.K.



ROYCE BRIER

## Lady Historian Explodes Myth About Wall Street

In the early 1900s it was an article of faith with the village socialist is that at the United States was owned and operated by John Pierpont Morgan the elder.

In those days a socialist was a harmless wight, and not one American in a hundred had ever heard of Karl Marx. When the commies came along they excoriated the old socialists, and all they ever borrowed from them was the Morgan yarn, expanded to Wall Street, for who could overlook the Rockefeller? They didn't see eye to eye with the Morgans, but both suspended contention jointly to dominate the nation, a sort of dyarchy, like the old Roman two-consul system of pre-Augustan days.

So no communist worth his salt from Lenin to Khrushchev has ever abandoned the granite axiom that the American Republic is a creation of Wall Street. That is, until Eugenia I. Popova came along.

Mme. Popova is a Soviet historian of note, and the

other day appeared before the Pedagogical Institute, University of Moscow, to defend a doctoral dissertation she had written: "The USA and the Washington System."

Listen: "The view that the American Government is the servant of Wall Street monopolists in many respects hampers an understanding of the important role of public opinion in the United States. It is schematic and oversimplified"

Holy mackerel! Was this little woman not hustled straightaway to the first train bound for Siberia? She was not, and moreover the learned historians in her audience lauded her for a contribution to Russian understanding, and said her book should be published for mass distribution.

Here is some more: "I feel it is not accurate to break American society into two groups—the great mass of workers and the monopolists. There is a great middle stratum of highly skilled workers, intellectuals, and professional people," and

this stratum must be noted to understand "American political realities."

Mme. Popova's book is pegged on the 1921 Disarmament Conference, but 200 pages deal with the American domestic scene. She said the United States is swayed by domestic opinion, the views of its allies, and international contingencies in formulating foreign policy.

When Ivan gets this he'll flip. It is of course pure heresy, flying in the face of the pronouncements of all his leaders, and the pontifications of a million Communist propagandists, in the Soviet Union and out.

Nobody has been more assiduous in upholding the myth than the home-grown American Communists, and surely this accounts in part for their abject failure since 1917. For Uncle Joe may be forgiven such drive, since he never left home, and it was convenient driv for the Russian masses, while American Communists only made themselves preposterous.

WILLIAM HOGAN

## Evan Connell's New York Is Worth Serious Glance

Leon and Bebert are a couple of dilettantes who suggest a highbrow Laurel and Hardy as they substitute absurd conversation and argument for actual living. Their antics confused many readers of the Saturday Evening Post, where they appeared originally. They are hardly Post characters in the classic middle-brow tradition. In attempting to overthrow old literary taboos in favor of quality fiction, the Post took a chance in Leon and Bebert. I, among a good many others, find them to be the most original comic characters to appear in a long time.

Three Leon and Bebert entries appear in "At the Crossroads," a collection of stories by Evan S. Connell Jr. ("Mrs. Bridge"). So, among others, do three of Connell's Muhlbach stories, which observe another original character, Muhlbach is a widower in his forties who reaches awkwardly for new experiences and discovers that these dreams of love and glory are quite beyond his grasp. Muhlbach is Evan Connell's "Mr. Bridge."

Muhlbach and the talkative young men are worlds apart. They emphasize the range and talent in this

book that again puts on display one of the most interesting, disciplined, writers in our midst. Yet Connell, an editor of Contact, feels he will be lucky if "Crossroads" sells 2,500 copies. Such collections are notoriously non-commercial; that includes Connell's previous and excellent "The Anatomy Lesson."

Connell's reaction? He can't afford to worry, he said the other day. One continues to write, to learn his craft, to live with the fact that the mass public is not a literary public. The possibility of striking it rich cannot be a serious writer's major concern. Connell is pleased that Simon & Schuster, which makes it big with the novels of Irving Wallace, agrees to make it small with "At the Crossroads." It deserves an audience, although a mass public is not likely to invest \$5.50 per copy for the pleasure.

Libraries are the sole "subsidy" for this kind of quality material. I trust that they will not overlook this new and particularly interesting collection of short pieces.

## Credit-Card Life Impractical

One of the more fascinating adventures in modern living during recent weeks concerned a young lady from San Francisco who managed to live for a full month without any cash.

She did it by buying everything she needed with her BankAmericard. Her adventures were interesting, and sometimes amusing, but they were also significant. Consumer credit has been a dynamic force in building our post-war economy and making this the most prosperous nation on Earth. In the last

## SACRAMENTO REPORT

# Nation's Top Documents Published in State Book

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The Congress of the United States spends money like a young sailor on his first pay-day liberty. Members of the U. S. House of Representatives and the U. S. Senate all have a franking privilege, which means that they do not have to use postage stamps, thereby contributing generously to the annual deficit of the U. S. Post Office Department.

In addition, they have their huge army of employees send out publications on every conceivable subject. Actually, you and I pay for the cost of printing, binding, and mailing of the federal publications which come to us "free."

Although the state of California wastes money on some projects, it is very economical when it comes to State publications. One of the very best is titled: "Constitution of the United States and of the State of California As Last Amended November 3, 1964, and Related Documents."

The publication of this book was authorized by the Legislature in February, 1965, and it has recently become available for distribution. You can obtain one free copy by writing to James D. Driscoll, Chief Clerk of the Assembly, Suite 3165, State Capitol, Sacramento 14, Calif.

If you want more than one copy, it is necessary for you to specify exactly how many copies you want and the reason for requesting more than one copy. For example, if you are an instructor in a school, college, or university, you can not expect to obtain copies for the entire enrollment of your institution, but you can request a reasonable number for a history class, etc.

Likewise, if you are officer of an organization you can obtain the quantity required for those members who will actually read the book, but not necessarily the entire membership. If you write to Mr. James D. Driscoll on the letterhead of your organization, it will expedite delivery.

The book contains the following: The Magna Carta of 1215; the Mayflower Compact of 1620; the Declaration of Rights of 1765 and 1774; the Declaration of Independence of 1776; the Articles of Confederation of 1778; the Constitution of the United States, 1787; the 24 Amendments to the Constitution of the United States; an index to the Constitution of the United States; the

## Quote

Unions like anyone else should be required to sell themselves through good service and high purpose, and as long as they do, men and women will proudly want to join.—Congressman H. H. Callaway (D-Ga.) on Right-to-Work legislation.

It seems that most knocking is done by folks who aren't able to ring the bell.—Gerald K. Young, The Blakesburg (Iowa) Excelsior.

Religion has created the environment in which civil law functions, and has given the individual, atheist included, his natural sense of respect.—Joyce Paul, Turlock.

Constitutional History of California; the Constitution of the State of California; and an Index to the Constitution of California.

It is an interesting commentary on the complexities of California government to find that the Index to the Constitution of the United States is on eight pages, but the Index of the California Constitution is on sixty-two pages. The reason is that most of the California Constitution is not a constitution at all but a vast collection of what should be laws locked into the State Constitution by the vote of the people.

It is very important for people to study this book in 1965 for several reasons. First, about two-thirds of the State budget each year is covered by the State Constitution and is beyond the control of Governor or the Legislature. This has been true since I was first given the oath of office on the first Monday of January, 1951.

Second, both the rights and the duties of all citizens are set forth in the federal and state constitutions.

The various methods of amending the U. S. Constitution and the State Constitution are clearly explained in the book. For example, an examination of the amendment to the U. S. Constitution shows that all such amendments originated in the U. S. Congress and not in the legislatures of the states. Many attempts have been made to amend the U. S. Constitution by starting the process in legislatures but all such attempts have failed.

The U. S. Constitution clearly sets forth the fact that the U. S. House of Representatives must vote an impeachment of a President, a Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, etc.; and the U. S. Senate must then sit as judge and jury to try the man (or woman).

Anyone who wants to impeach Earl Warren should write to his congressman.

HERB CAEN SAYS:

## New Telephone Game Entries

FURTHER PROOF: Our telephone game is catching on nicely, with all sorts of brilliant contributions flooding in. Ready? Alexander Graham Marx, the first party line, and Tinker Bell, the first queer repair man . . . Alexander Graham Bell, the first mouthpiece; William Graham Bell, the first phone bill, and Adam Graham Bell, the first phone man . . . Billy Sol Bell, the first telephony, and Colgate Palmolive Bell, the original Dial tone . . . Then we have Mickey Cohen Bell, the first phone bookie, Learned Hand Bell, the first all-digit dialer, Alexander Graham John, the first headset and Willie Mays Bell, the first colored phone.

PROSE POEM: At Gatsby's in Sausalito, this bearded type suggested to bartender Tommy Tucker: "Perhaps you too are a lover of Nature. Have you seen rosy-fingered dawn spreading across the Eastern sky, red-stained sulphurous islets floating in a ladle of fire in the West, ragged clouds at midnight blotting out the shuddering moon?" Tommy: "Nope—not since I went on the wagon a year ago."

LAST TIME she was here, Lady Bird Johnson stayed at the Mark Hopkins hotel, and had a fine time with its owner, Louis Lurie. Showing her around his 18th floor digs, he said at one point: "Now if you'll sit there, you'll see the finest view in San Francisco." As Mrs. Johnson sat and peered out the window, Lurie whipped out a camera and took her picture. Need I add that Mrs. Johnson was perched on what the ads call "The Most Important Seat in the House?"

MORE OF SAME: Sen. Tom Kuchel, who LIKES it in Washington, reiterates that he won't budge for Governor—even as a reluctant drag-in—unless he's assured of a "unified party" and one million cold cash in the war chest . . . A well-known local pacifist, inspired by Joan Baez, is paying only 40 per cent of his income tax this year—because 60 per cent of the U.S. budget is for "defense"—but adds wryly: "What drives me crazy is the thought that 60 per cent of my 40 per cent is going for arms!" . . . The Secret Service refused to okay the Press Club for a possible visit by LBJ for the same reason it wouldn't allow Ike or JFK to appear there: no rear entrance . . . Organist Earl Grant, playing at Basin Street West, refused to go on unless the topless girls were removed from the show, and he won his point . . . Barnaby Conrad to Cal Tjader at El Matador: "Why do you think your record of 'Soul Sauce' is such a big hit?" Cal: "Because so many people are buying it" . . . Leonard Lyons, the N.Y. columnist, cabbed in from S.F. airport with a driver who recognized him and confided: "You won't find any celebrities here—we only got 750,000 people, y'know." Lyons: "But two of them are Joe DeMaggio and Willie Mays—not a bad percentage."

LAST GASP: Shall we get this dumb telephone game over with? Splendid. J. Edgar Bell, the first eavesdropper. Yogi Berra Bell, the first receiver. Elsa Maxwell Bell, the first party lion, and Christine Jorgensen Bell, the first switchboard. Alexander Graham Pelican, the first outrageous phone bill. Alexander Graham Welch, the first crank call. Alexander Graham Lindbergh, the first transatlantic call. Christine Keefer Bell, the first long distance callgirl. Billy Graham Bell, the first message unit. Alexander Graham Cracker, the first crummy telephone joke. And not a bad place to stop.

## Morning Report:

(Abe Mellinkoff is on vacation. His Morning Report feature will be resumed on his return.)

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